## TRAVELLING SOON? WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY CONTINUED

mation requested. Your 7-digit MROO Insurance client number starting with 773 is required and can be found on your online enrollment confirmation or renewal letter. Please note there is no dash in the client number (XXXXXX) and the postal code has a space (XXX XXX).

## 3. Locate the Annual Travel Insurance policy section

• Once logged in, click the tab at the top of the page titled 'Plan Material', then under policies in the Plan Material section, select 'Policy – Annual Travel' to find the section related to the Annual Travel Insurance policy.

## 4. Access Emergency Medical Travel Card

- Within the annual travel policy section, locate the 'Schedule of Benefits'.
- 5. Download or print
  - Download a digital copy or print it at your convenience.

Enjoy your travels! For more information about all MROO insurance plans, please visit www.mrooinsurance.ca or call Victor at 1-800-363-7861. You can also email Victor at mroo.ca@victorinsurance.com.

## SPACESSHARED UNIQUE HOUSING OPTION BENEFITS STUDENTS AND OLDER ADULTS

Through a combination of technology and real live human support, SpacesShared attempts to meet two critical challenges: older adults wanting to manage in their own homes as long as possible, and students looking for safe and affordable housing near the campuses they are attending. While it is expanding to other college and university towns, SpacesShared is already working with Humber, Sheridan, Georgian and St. Lawrence colleges and Wilfred Laurier and Nipissing universities.

With SpacesShared, older adults can safely offer a spare bedroom for extra income, enjoy the company, and get help with chores around the house all while giving students much-needed housing. It could be a student from overseas or just from out of town.

When Parth Makwana moved from India to study Culinary Management at Georgian College, SpacesShared's technology platform connected him with Barrie resident Karen Tiveron.

Parth says: "A big benefit is getting guidance with things I don't know about. For example, Karen helped me with my resume and suggested some places in Barrie where I could apply for a job."

Karen reports: "So far, it's going really well. I liked the idea of having a little extra help around the house ... there are times when I'm not physically capable of doing some things, like taking the bins down to the street on garbage day and raking the leaves."

Georgian College was the first postsecondary institution to launch on the SpacesShared platform, and it had six matches living together and 11 listings available for matching, as of November 2023.

Says Suzie Addison-Toor, Vice President, Georgian College: "The homeowners and students go through a screening process to ensure it's a successful pairing. It's a fantastic option both for homeowners who have spaces to let out, as well as for our capacity of housing students in an affordable way."

While the application process for both parties is conducted through the website spacesshared.ca, the SpacesShared team focuses on the safety of both the homeowner and student though verification of identities, background checks, proof of student enrolment, clear understandings and formal agreements between homeowner and student, and regular check-ins after the student moves in.



Help with household chores can be part of the agreement.